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P&G Case 8384

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of :
Nabil Enrique Salman et al. : Confirmation No. 9701
Serial No. 09/745,702 : Group Art Unit 3721
Filed December 21, 2000 : Examiner Thanh K. Truong

For Portable Packaging Device And Method For Forming Individually Packaged Articles

PETITION TO DELETE INVENTORS UNDER 37 CFR §§1.48(b)

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In conjunction with the filing of a RCE Under 37 CFR 1.48(b) of the above application Serial No. 09/745,702, filed December 20, 2000, Applicants' Attorney hereby petitions to delete the following inventor(s) from this application:

Andrew Lloyd Bouthilet

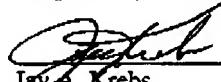
This deletion of inventors is requested since Claims 12-20 of the above application S.N. 09/745,702 have been canceled. The above-identified inventor was originally named because of his contribution to claims 12-20 of the currently claimed invention. However, as a result of a restriction requirement issued on August 23, 2002, claims 1-11 were elected as the claims for further prosecution.

It is respectfully requested that this petition be granted.

The fee for this Petition to Delete Inventors is \$130.00 (37 CFR 1.17(i)).

The Director is hereby authorized to charge the above fees, or any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 16-2480 in the name of The Procter & Gamble Company. A duplicate copy of this form is attached.

Respectfully submitted,


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